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Upcoming Elections

No Federal Elections Scheduled

Please mail your voting materials early enough to account for mail delivery times. Check the recommended mailing dates section in Chapter 1 for details.

Important information

What is UOCAVA?	The <i>Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act</i> is commonly referred to as <i>UOCAVA</i> . <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens are U.S. citizens who are active members of the Uniformed Services, the Merchant Marine, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, their eligible family members and other U.S. citizens residing outside the United States. The law provides the legal basis for absentee voting requirements for federal offices.
What is the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)?	The FPCA (federal form SF 76) allows <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens to register to vote and request an absentee ballot. This form is also used to update your contact information.
What is the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?	The FWAB (federal form SF 186) serves as an emergency backup ballot for <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens. If you do not receive your absentee ballot from your State in time to return it to your election official to participate in the election, use the FWAB.
What is the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)*?	<p>The DoD ETS allows you to email or fax your election materials toll-free. To email your election materials using ETS, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or online at FVAP.gov and email to ETS@FVAP.gov. To fax your election materials using ETS, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or online at FVAP.gov and fax to: (703) 693-5527, DSN 223-5527, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands to 1-800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found in the Appendix of the Voting Assistance Guide or online at FVAP.gov.</p> <p><i>* DISCLAIMER: The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides an Electronic Transmission Service to assist you with transmitting your election materials. FVAP does not guarantee the acceptance or processing of your materials by your election official. As a user of this service, we encourage you to contact your election official directly to verify whether your information was received timely.</i></p>
What is the Prepaid Mail Label 11- DoD?	Overseas Uniformed Service members can use this label for general election absentee ballots. It provides free express mail service to your election official for general election absentee ballots. You can request to have a Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to your absentee ballot at Military Postal Office locations (APO/FPO). A portion of the label is kept by you for tracking your absentee ballot through the U.S. postal service.

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What is a primary election?	A primary election is an election held before the general election to determine the candidates that can be placed on the general election ballot.
I am an American citizen, but I have never lived in the U.S., can I vote in this State?	A U.S. citizen who has never resided in the U.S. and has a parent or legal guardian that was last domiciled in Rhode Island is eligible to vote as a "federal voter" and may vote for federal offices only.
I am a National Guardsman activated on State orders; does my State afford me UOCAVA privileges?	Yes.
How can I check the status of my ballot?	You can check the status of your absentee ballot here: https://sos.ri.gov/vic/
Does my State have any online tools?	You can see if your State has any online tools available here: http://www.fvap.gov/rhode-island

Registering and requesting your absentee ballot

Under federal law, the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) temporarily registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for a minimum of all federal elections in the current calendar year. Be sure to complete a new FPCA each year and every time your address changes.

Complete the following blocks of the FPCA

Block 1	Select the category that best describes you.		"I do not have a social security number or State issued ID number."
Block 2	To vote in primary elections, you must enter the name of the party ballot you want to receive. Political party affiliation is not required if requesting an absentee ballot for general elections.	Block 5	Your contact information is recommended so your election official can contact you if they need additional information from you in order to accept your FPCA. If you want to receive your absentee ballot by email/online or fax, you must provide your email address or fax number.
Block 3	Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.	Block 6	You can receive your absentee ballot by mail, email/online or fax. Rank your preferred method of receiving your absentee ballot.
Block 4	Your date of birth is required. You must provide either a State issued ID number or the last four digits of your Social Security number. If you do not have either of these numbers you must enter in Block 9:	Block 7	Enter the complete street address of your voting residence. You cannot use a post office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Block 9 to describe the location of your voting residence.
		Block 8	Enter your current mailing address, even if you are requesting your ballot by email/online or fax. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use Block 9 to provide this information.
		Block 9	Provide any information that may assist your election official in accepting this form. You can use this space to designate particular elections or the period you wish to

receive ballots.

Affirmation	Sign and date. No witness signature required.
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How and where to submit your FPCA

You can submit the FPCA by **mail** or **fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Mail your FPCA: Once your FPCA is complete, mail your FPCA directly to your election official.

Fax your FPCA: Fax your FPCA directly to your election official. Be sure to also include the Electronic Transmission Sheet. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to fax your FPCA toll-free. Instructions for ETS are in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

To find out the status of your FPCA, contact your election official. Your election official will contact you if your FPCA is not accepted.

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Voting your ballot

Once you receive your absentee ballot from your State it must be returned according to the deadlines and requirements in the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart. For special federal elections, visit FVAP.gov for specific deadlines.

You can submit the State absentee ballot by **mail** or **fax**.

Mail your ballot directly to:

State Board of Elections
50 Branch Ave.
Providence, RI 02904

Fax your ballot directly to the State Board of Elections at 401-222-6529.

You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to fax your ballot. *Overseas Uniformed Service members* can request to have the Prepaid

Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section.

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Haven't received your ballot? Use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot

You **must** be registered to vote and have already requested a State absentee ballot in order to use the FWAB.

You can use the FWAB to vote in all elections for federal, State and local offices, including ballot measures.

Complete the following blocks of the FWAB's voter declaration/affirmation

Block 1	Do not check this box. The FWAB cannot be used for voter registration or as a ballot request.
Block 2	Select the category that best describes you.
Block 3	Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.
Block 4	Your date of birth is required.
Block 5	Your contact information is recommended so your election official can contact you if they need additional information from you to accept your FWAB.
Block 6	To vote in primary elections, you must enter the name of the party primary in which you are voting. Political party affiliation is not required if voting an absentee ballot in general elections.

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Block 7	Enter the complete street address of your voting residence. You cannot use a post office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Block 9 to describe the location of your voting residence.
Block 8	Enter your current mailing address. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use Block 9 for this information.
Block 9	Provide any information that may assist the election official in accepting this form.
Affirmation	Sign and date. No witness signature required.

Vote your FWAB

To vote, write in either a candidate's name or political party for each office. You are not required to make a selection for each and every contest.

How and where to submit your FWAB

You can submit the FWAB by **mail** or **fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Mail your FWAB: Once your FWAB is complete, fold and place it in the security envelope and seal the envelope. Place only the voted ballot in the security envelope and do not write on the security envelope. Insert the sealed security envelope and the Voter's Declaration/Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail your FWAB directly to:

State Board of Elections
50 Branch Ave.
Providence, RI 02904

Overseas Uniformed Service members can request to have the Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Fax your FWAB: Fax your FWAB directly to the State Board of Elections at 401-222-6529. Be sure to include your ballot, signed Voter Declaration/Affirmation and cover sheet with secrecy waiver. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to fax your FWAB toll-free. Instructions for ETS are in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

See the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart for the deadline for submitting the FWAB. If you receive the State absentee ballot after transmitting your voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the State absentee ballot. If both are received by the deadline, only the State absentee ballot will be counted.

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Local election offices for city

City	Mailing Address
Barrington	Barrington Board of Canvassers 283 County Rd Barrington, RI 02806-2406 Phone: (401) 247-1900 Fax: (401) 247-3765 Email: mdesisto@barrington.ri.gov
Bristol	Bristol Board of Canvassers 10 Court St Bristol, RI 02809-2234 Phone: (401) 253-7000 Fax: (401) 253-2647 Email: lpccirillo@bristolri.us
Burrillville	Burrillville Board of Canvassers 105 Harrisville Main St Harrisville, RI 02830-1403 Phone: (401) 568-4300 Fax: (401) 568-0490 Email: lphaneuf@burrillville.org
Central Falls	Central Falls Board of Canvassers 580 Broad St Central Falls, RI 02863-2835 Phone: (401) 727-7450 Fax: (401) 724-2031 Email: smurphy@centralfallsri.us
Charlestown	Charlestown Board of Canvassers 4540 South County Trl Charlestown, RI 02813-3454 Phone: (401) 364-1200 Fax: (401) 364-1238 Email: arweinreich@charlestownri.org
Coventry	Coventry Board of Canvassers 1670 Flat River Rd Coventry, RI 02816-8909 Phone: (401) 822-9150 Fax: (401) 822-9132 Email: landerson@coventryri.org
Cranston	Cranston Board of Canvassers 869 Park Ave Cranston, RI 02910-2786 Phone: (401) 780-3126 Fax: (401) 780-3125 Email: tbucci@CranstonRI.org

City	Mailing Address
Cumberland	Cumberland Board of Canvassers 45 Broad St Cumberland, RI 02864-8388 Phone: (401) 728-2400 Fax: (401) 724-1103 Email: sgiovanelli@cumberlandri.org
East Greenwich	East Greenwich Board of Canvassers 125 Main St, P.O. Box 111 East Greenwich, RI 02818-0111 Phone: (401) 886-8603 Fax: (401) 886-8623 Email: evespia@eastgreenwichri.com
East Providence	East Providence Board of Canvassers 145 Taunton Ave East Providence, RI 02914-4530 Phone: (401) 435-7503 Fax: (401) 435-1909 Email: lshattuck-moore@cityofeastprov.com
Exeter	Exeter Board of Canvassers 675 Ten Rod Rd Exeter, RI 02822-2447 Phone: (401) 294-2287 Fax: (401) 295-1248 Email: canvassers@town.exeter.ri.us
Foster	Foster Board of Canvassers 181 Howard Hill Rd Foster, RI 02825-1226 Phone: (401) 392-9200 Fax: (401) 702-5010 Email: jchristopher@townoffoster.com
Glocester	Glocester Board of Canvassers 1145 Putnam Pike Chepachet, RI 02814-0702 Phone: (401) 568-6206 Fax: (401) 568-5850 Email: jeanfecteau@glocesterri.org
Hopkinton	Hopkinton Board of Canvassers 1 Townhouse Rd Hopkinton, RI 02833-1142 Phone: (401) 377-7777 Fax: (401) 377-7788 Email: deptownclerk@hopkintonri.org
Jamestown	Jamestown Board of Canvassers 93 Narragansett Ave Jamestown, RI 02835-1149 Phone: (401) 423-9804 Fax: (401) 423-7230 Email: kmontoya@jamestownri.net
Johnston	Johnston Board of Canvassers 1385 Hartford Ave Johnston, RI 02919-7192 Phone: (401) 553-8856 Fax: (401) 553-8862 Email: larusso@johnston-ri.us
Lincoln	Lincoln Board of Canvassers 100 Old River Rd, P.O. Box 100 Lincoln, RI 02865-1332 Phone: (401) 333-1140 Fax: (401) 333-3648 Email: kallen@lincolnri.org
Little Compton	Little Compton Board of Canvassers 40 Commons, P.O. Box 226 Little Compton, RI 02837-0226 Phone: (401) 635-4400 Fax: (401) 635-2470 Email: cwordell@tlcri.com

City	Mailing Address
Middletown	Middletown Board of Canvassers 350 East Main Rd Middletown, RI 02842-5267 Phone: (401) 849-5540 Fax: (401) 845-0406 Email: wmarshall@middletownri.com
Narragansett	Narragansett Board of Canvassers 25 Fifth Ave Narragansett, RI 02882-3612 Phone: (401) 782-0625 Fax: (401) 783-9637 Email: airons@narragansetttri.gov
New Shoreham	New Shoreham Board of Canvassers Old Town Rd, P.O. Box 220 New Shoreham, RI 02807-0220 Phone: (401) 466-3200 Fax: (401) 466-3219 Email: townclerk@new-shoreham.com
Newport	Newport Board of Canvassers 43 Broadway Newport, RI 02840-2746 Phone: (401) 845-5384 Fax: (401) 848-5750 Email: lwilliams@cityofnewport.com
North Kingstown	North Kingstown Board of Canvassers 80 Boston Neck Rd North Kingstown, RI 02852-5767 Phone: (401) 294-3331 x128 Fax: (401) 294-2437 Email: cbyers@northkingstown.org
North Providence	North Providence Board of Canvassers 2000 Smith St North Providence, RI 02911-1740 Phone: (401) 232-0900 Fax: (401) 719-1609 Email: bocdirector@northprovidenceri.gov
North Smithfield	North Smithfield Board of Canvassers 575 Smithfield Rd North Smithfield, RI 02896-7227 Phone: (401) 767-2200 Fax: (401) 356-4057 Email: dtodd@nsmithfieldri.org
Pawtucket	Pawtucket Board of Canvassers 137 Roosevelt Ave Pawtucket, RI 02860-2129 Phone: (401) 722-1637 Fax: (401) 729-9499 Email: kmcgill@pawtucketri.com
Portsmouth	Portsmouth Board of Canvassers 2200 East Main Rd Portsmouth, RI 02871-2168 Phone: (401) 683-3157 Fax: (401) 683-2107 Email: jschulz@portsmouthri.com
Providence	Providence Board of Canvassers 25 Dorrance St Providence, RI 02903-1738 Phone: (401) 421-0495 Fax: (401) 421-9397 Email: kplacencia@providenceri.com
Richmond	Richmond Board of Canvassers 5 Richmond Townhouse Rd Wyoming, RI 02898-1247 Phone: (401) 539-9000 Fax: (401) 539-1089 Email: townclerk@richmondri.com

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Scituate	Scituate Board of Canvassers 195 Danielson Pike North Scituate, RI 02857-1906 Phone: (401) 647-7466 Fax: (401) 647-7220 Email: scituateclerk@aol.com
Smithfield	Smithfield Board of Canvassers 64 Farnum Pike Esmond, RI 02917-3224 Phone: (401) 233-1000 Fax: (401) 232-7244 Email: caquilante@smithfieldri.com
South Kingstown	South Kingstown Board of Canvassers 180 High St South Kingstown, RI 02879-3140 Phone: (401) 789-9331 Fax: (401) 788-9792 Email: canvassing@southkingstownri.com
Tiverton	Tiverton Board of Canvassers 343 Highland Rd Tiverton, RI 02878-4401 Phone: (401) 625-6704 Fax: (401) 625-6705 Email: canvassers@tiverton.ri.gov
Warren	Warren Board of Canvassers 514 Main St Warren, RI 02885-4369 Phone: (401) 245-7340 Fax: (401) 245-7421 Email: ssperoni@townofwarren-ri.gov
Warwick	Warwick Board of Canvassers 3275 Post Rd Warwick, RI 02886-7145 Phone: (401) 738-2000 x6222 Fax: (401) 732-3439 Email: patricia.aylesworth@warwickri.com
West Greenwich	West Greenwich Board of Canvassers 280 Victory Hwy West Greenwich, RI 02817-2155 Phone: (401) 392-3800 Fax: (401) 392-3805 Email: efliese@wgtownri.org
West Warwick	West Warwick Board of Canvassers 1170 Main St West Warwick, RI 02893-4893 Phone: (401) 822-9201 Fax: (401) 822-9266 Email: rfountaine@westwarwickri.org
Westerly	Westerly Board of Canvassers 45 Broad St Westerly, RI 02891-1888 Phone: (401) 348-2503 Fax: (401) 348-2571 Email: brayman@westerly.org
Woonsocket	Woonsocket Board of Canvassers 169 Main St, P.O. Box B Woonsocket, RI 02895-4330 Phone: (401) 767-0027 Fax: (401) 767-9226 Email: ecorriveau@woonsocketri.org